

2020 ADVOCACY PLANNING AND LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

External Affairs Committee

October 11, 2019



ACTION REQUESTED

Recommend this item to the Executive Committee for placement on the December 2019 Board of Directors' agenda:

- Approval of the CY2020 Legislative Agenda

PREVIOUS ACTION

The CY2019 Legislative Agenda was approved in the December 2018 Board meeting. The External Relations Committee discussed the CY2019 Legislative Agenda at its July 2018 meeting.



BACKGROUND

No substantive changes from the 2019 Legislative Agenda

- Platform remains intact
- Federal/State priorities remain intact



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**The platform establishes who we are and what we value.
NOACA's Legislative vision policy and criteria will:**

- **STRENGTHEN** regional cohesion
- **PRESERVE** existing infrastructure
- **BUILD** a sustainable multimodal transportation system
- **SUPPORT** economic development
- **ENHANCE** quality of life in Northeast Ohio



BACKGROUND

Federal Priorities:

1. **Strengthen the MPO's local control of core transportation programs**
2. **Promote asset management as a funding priority**
3. **Incorporate safety, sustainability, multimodalism in planning and funding**



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Initiatives for Federal Action:

- Increase STBG funding directly to MPOs, to provide local flexibility
- Increase and index federal fuel taxes, and search for new revenue sources for transportation
- Support Hyperloop projects and funding
- Support ITS funding
- Thank your representatives for supporting past and future grant applications



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State Priorities:

- Improve the region's rate of return from state allocated funds to meet regional asset management needs.
- Advocate for the inclusion of multimodal transportation within state programs & funding



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Initiatives for State Action:

- Promote equitable maintenance of state routes within municipalities
- Promote vehicle miles traveled (VMT) to distribute gas user fee dollars, as outlined in Board *Resolution 2019-013: NOACA Position on Increased Fees for Transportation Infrastructure*
- Advocate for a dedicated, long-term funding source for transit in Ohio



NEXT STEPS

Pending Board approval the Legislative Agenda will be forwarded to appropriate state and federal officials as part of NOACA's priorities and agenda for 2020.



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NOACA 2020 Legislative Agenda



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NOACA will **STRENGTHEN** regional cohesion, **PRESERVE** existing infrastructure, and **BUILD** a sustainable multimodal transportation system to **SUPPORT** economic development and **ENHANCE** quality of life in Northeast Ohio.

